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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)**  
**REQUEST TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Prior Application  
Examiner: Samuel Rimell  
Group Art Unit: 2166

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1. This is a request for a ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) of prior application serial no. 09/518,495, filed on March 3, 2000, which is a continuation of 09/238,546, filed January 28, 1999, which is a divisional of 08/889,304, filed July 8, 1997, now US Patent 5,897,620. The instant application also claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/400,656, filed September 21, 1999, which is a continuation of 09/205,787 (now US Patent No. 6,041,308) which is a continuation -in -part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/943,483 filed October 03, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/923,683 filed September 04, 1997, and is further a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/889,319, filed July 8, 1997 (now US Patent No. 6,085,169), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/707,660, filed September 4, 1996, now issued U.S. patent no. 5,794,207.

2. The following are enclosed herewith:

- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement including PTO 1449.
- ☐ Copies of References Cited in Information Disclosure Statement

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☐ **REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(i) (form PTO/SB/35)**

As indicated on the attached Request and Certification, Applicant(s) certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application HAS NOT and WILL NOT be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. Applicant(s) therefore request(s) that the attached application NOT be published under 35 U.S.C. §122(b).

3. ☐ Please enter the Amendment/Request For Reconsideration After Final Rejection filed \_\_\_\_\_ in the above-identified parent application.
4. ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time and Fee therefor has been or is being filed in the parent application Serial No. 09/518,495 to extend the time for action in the parent application until June 18, 2002.
5. Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending and has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending with said parent application. Please use all the contents of the parent application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.
6. ☒ The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims:
- a. ☒ remaining after entering the enclosed Amendment.
  - b. ☐ entered in the parent application as of the date of its abandonment.
  - c. ☐ remaining after entering the Amendment After Final Rejection filed in the above-identified parent application.

I. CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE				
	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$740.00/\$370.00
Total Claims	146- 20 =	126x	\$18.00/ \$9.00	\$ 2268.00
Independent Claims	26- 3 =	23x	\$84.00/ \$42.00	\$ 1932.00
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7. ☐ Small entity status is/has been claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 (f) paid herewith \$.00
8. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in payment of the CPA application filing fees is attached.
9. ☒ Charge \$4940.00 to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 3553-4044US2. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

10. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application pursuant to 37 CFR §1.16, including all extension of time fees pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for maintaining copendency with the parent application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.13-4500, Order No. 3553-4044US2. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
11. ☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, which is a CIP of serial no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.
12. ☒ The parent application is assigned of record to priceline.com Incorporated, Recorded on 07/08/1997, at Reel 8641, Frame 0795.
13. ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_ is attached along with the Assignment Recordation Form cover sheet.
14. ☐ A check in the amount of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment is attached.
15. ☒ The Power of Attorney was filed in the parent application.
16. ☐ A new Power of Attorney has been executed and is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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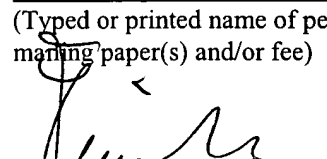
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amount of \$460.00; Return Postcard is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post  
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